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Application Number	PCT/US99/17177		
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First Named Inventor	Robert N. BOWMAN		
Group Art Unit			
Examiner Name			
Attorney Docket Number	N1121-037		

Title of the Invention: Trimeric and Polymeric Alkaloids

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT



Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to action in the present application, please enter the amendments contained on the following pages, which are summarized below:

Amend claims 6, 22-24 and 32-35 as shown on the following page.

Marked-up copies of the amended claims are attached to this amendment. Material inserted is indicated by underlining (_____) and material deleted in indicated by strike-out (strike out).

REMARKS

No new matter has been introduced into the above-referenced application.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED			
NAME AND REG. NUMBER	Robert J. Jondle, Reg. No. 33,915		
SIGNATURE	Third I have the	DATE	May 1, 2001

Attachments: Marked-Up Copies of Amendments